

VIA TELETYPE
JUN 22 1968
ENCIPHERED

Mr. Tolson	_____
Mr. DeLoach	_____
Mr. Mohr	_____
Mr. Bishop	_____
Mr. Casper	_____
Mr. Callahan	_____
Mr. Conrad	_____
Mr. Felt	2/
Mr. Gale	_____
Mr. Rosen	_____
Mr. Sullivan	_____
Mr. Tavel	_____
Mr. Trotter	_____
Tele. Room	_____
Miss Holmes	_____
Miss Gandy	_____

12PM URGENT 6-21-68 DND
DIRECTOR AND LOS ANGELES
MEMPHIS

KIN.

PRESS-SCIMITAR

MEMPHIS NEWSPAPER AND
CONTACT, MEMPHIS, TELEPHONICALLY ADVISED MEMPHIS OFFICE FOLLOWING
FORMATION THIS DATE:

SAID AT APPROXIMATELY ONE PM THIS DATE HE RECEIVED
G DISTANCE TELEPHONE CALL FROM TARZANA, CALIFORNIA. CALLER IDENTIFIED
SELF AS , PRIVATE INVESTIGATOR, TELEPHONE

BEGAN
VERSATION WITH MAKING INQUIRY RE REWARDS OFFERED IN
UTION OF KING MURDER. TOLD HIM THAT

HE HAD INFORMATION ONLY RE TWENTYFIVE THOUSAND DOLLAR OFFER
E BY PAPER. ALSO SAID HE INFORMED

T THE REWARD WOULD BE PAID ONLY FOR INFORMATION LEADING TO ARREST
CONVICTION OF THE MURDERER IN INSTANT CASE. REPORTEDLY THEM
D THAT HE HAD INFORMATION REGARDING THE PERSON WHO PAID
JECT RAY IN CONNECTION WITH THE KILLING. REPORTEDLY

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DESCRIBED THIS MAN AS ALMOST A BILLIONAIRE WHO OWNS BALBOA ISLAND. [REDACTED] ALSO SAID THE MONEY HAD BEEN DEPOSITED IN A SWISS BANK SO THAT SUBJECT RAY COULD PROCURE SAME AND THIS WAS WHERE RAY WAS EN ROUTE WHEN HE WAS APPREHENDED IN LONDON. [REDACTED] FURTHER DESCRIBED THIS WEALTHY MAN AS AN ARDENT JOHN BIRCHER WHO HAD KING KILLED NOT BECAUSE HE WAS A NEGRO BUT BECAUSE KING WAS A COMMUNIST.

[REDACTED] SAID THAT HE PRESSED [REDACTED] FOR MORE IDENTIFYING DATA AND [REDACTED] TOLD HIM THE MAN WHO PAID OFF RAY WAS [REDACTED] [REDACTED] SAID HE PRESSED [REDACTED] FOR MORE DATA AND [REDACTED] TOLD HIM THAT IF HE WANTED TO CONFIRM THIS INFORMATION HE SHOULD CALL AREA CODE [REDACTED] [REDACTED] IN CALIFORNIA AND ASK FOR [REDACTED] [REDACTED] WAS NOT FURTHER IDENTIFIED BY [REDACTED] BUT [REDACTED] TOLD [REDACTED] THAT [REDACTED] KNEW [REDACTED] AND SUPPOSEDLY KNEW OF [REDACTED] INVOLVEMENT IN MURDER. [REDACTED] SAID HE HAD RECEIVED THIS INFORMATION ON JUNE SIXTEEN AT APPROXIMATELY FIVE FIFTEEN A.M.

[REDACTED] SAID HE WAS, OF COURSE, IN NO POSITION TO EVALUATE THIS DATA BUT DID WANT TO PASS IT ON TO THE FBI FOR POSSIBLE USE.

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LOS ANGELES REQUESTED IDENTIFY [REDACTED] REVIEW ITS FILES,
AND IF NO INFORMATION CONTAINED THEREIN INTERVIEW MARKS FOR ALL DATA HE
MAY HAVE CONCERNING ALLEGATION.

LOS ANGELES ALSO SECURE IDENTIFYING DATA FROM [REDACTED] RE [REDACTED] AND
HEREAFTER CONDUCT NECESSARY INTERVIEWS WITH HER TO CLARIFY INFORMATION.

[REDACTED] UNKNOWN TO MEMPHIS DIVISION. LOS ANGELES SHOULD
REVIEW ITS FILES TO ASCERTAIN WHETHER OR NOT [REDACTED] FITS GENERAL DESCRIPTION
FURNISHED BY [REDACTED] AND WHETHER OR NOT HE MIGHT BE CONSIDERED POSSIBLE
INSPIRATOR INSTANT CASE.

CEIVED: 11:43PM RM

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